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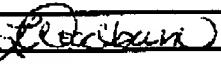
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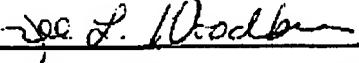
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In response to the Office Action mailed November 24, 2003, entry of the following amendments and consideration of the accompanying remarks is respectfully requested.